



23 September 1952

Handwritten signature
Mr. Thomas H. McKittrick
The Chase National Bank
New York 15, New York

Dear Mr. McKittrick:

Mr. Dulles left unexpectedly soon on his trip to Europe and was unable to give proper attention to your letter of September 10th and its enclosures. He asked me to express his regret at this delay and his intention to take the matter up as soon as he returns toward the end of October. If this is too late to be of use to you he wishes you to feel free to use his name in connection with the project.

Sincerely yours,


Assistant to the Director

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NEW YORK 15, N. Y.

THOMAS H. McKittrick
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

New York September 10, 1952.

Mr. Allen W. Dulles,
2430 E Street N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Allen:

I am sorry to be dilatory in writing as I said I would when you were here last week. Enclosed is a rough sort of draft which I hope will be of use to you in writing to Mr. or Mrs. Roger W. Straus and to Mr. Rosenberg. A copy of Eric Warburg's letter, which you saw when you were here, is also enclosed.

Ever yours,

Tom

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Dear :

I am writing to bring to your attention certain work being done in Europe which aroused my interest when I was there during and immediately after the war. Over the years it has developed around the personality and outstanding abilities of a schoolmaster named Kurt Hahn, whose work began at Salem in Baden soon after the first war and has continued since 1933 in Scotland, where he fled after having been arrested and subsequently released by the Nazis. Hahn, to my mind, is perhaps the greatest living schoolmaster in the world today. The schools established in Germany and in Scotland both continue in vigorous operation.

During the war Gordonstoun, the Scottish school, was evacuated to North Wales and while there it fell to Hahn to improvise a course of training for apprentice merchant marine officers. From this beginning there evolved a novel type of educational institution now generally known as the short-term school. It has proved its utility in Great Britain and requests for trained personnel able to start a similar movement elsewhere have been received from a number of other countries during the past year. After the complete failure of American and British efforts to fire the imagination of German youth in the Western sector, a beginning has been made to introduce short-term schools there in the hope of building a counterweight to the highly effective communist Free German Youth movement in the Eastern zone. This is a matter of genuine concern to the United States.

Tom McKittrick, whom you probably know, has been working in this country to secure support for Hahn and for the German short-term school movement. I was, before taking up my present work in Washington, a Director of the American-British Foundation for European Education, Inc., a non-profit corporation set up for the purposes of this endeavor. The story is too long for a letter and I wonder if you could spare an hour or so for Tom who would, I know, like to tell you the story in some detail.

HAMBURG, August 25, 1952.

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Mr. Anthony Moore
 The Chase National Bank
 Pine Street Corner of Nassau
New York 15, N.Y.

Dear Tony: AMERICAN-BRITISH FOUNDATION FOR EUROPEAN EDUCATION

Your letter of August 19th arrived to-day and I hasten to answer with regard to the foundations which you mention in the letter. I know the following answer:

(1) THE DANIEL AND FLORENCE GUGGENHEIM FOUNDATION:

I know their Vice President, Mrs. Gladys G. Straus, nee Guggenheim. She is the wife of Roger W. Straus, a former ambassador to Cuba and an officer of the American Smelting & Refining Company. Mr. and Mrs. Straus are both ardent Republicans, are intimate with Governor Dewey, financed his previous campaigns rather substantially, and I think that Allen Dulles can also introduce Hahn very well with Mr. and Mrs. Straus. Needless to say I am delighted to do so also in writing as I will not be in New York as you know during Hahn's visit.

(2) THE LOUIS J. AND MARY E. HOROWITZ FOUNDATION, INC.:

I know amongst the trustees Rabbi Morris S. Lazon from Baltimore who is an ardent Anti-Zionist and, if interested, a rather forceful man. He spent some time in Germany during the Hitler regime and is therefore not quite unfamiliar with the general background.

I also know John L. Loeb, partner of Carl M. Loeb Rhoades, New York, as well as Mr. James N. Rosenberg who is a forceful retired but mentally very active New York lawyer.

(3) ROGER AND GLADYS STRAUS FOUNDATION:

See remarks on No. 1

(4) ADELE R. LEVY FUND, INC.:

Adele R. Levy, the President whom I know is a very intelligent daughter of the late Julius Rosenwald (Sears, Roebuck), Chicago. She is extremely wealthy but mostly interested in Jewish matters. If she can be interested in this, seems somewhat doubtful to me, but it's worth while trying.

(1) Marion R. Ascoli is her sister who is married to an Italian, who is a professor at the New School in New York.

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To sum up I am very prepared to write letters to these individuals if Tom and you would like me to. Is there anything special you would like me to say in the letters. R.s.v.p.

With kindest regards,

Yours as ever,

Eric

ERIC M. WARBURG

P.S. This is also in reply to your letter of same date. I am glad to see that the Blocked Mark suggestion makes sense to you and will get the wheels in motion. in a preliminary way already now and will do it finally as soon as I have received the signed applications from you.

E.M.W. *E.*